MINUTES OF THE MEETING
STATE OF IDAHO
OUTFITTERS AND GUIDES LICENSE BOARD
January 10, 11, 1963
Mountain Home, Idaho

PRESENT: ALL BOARD MEMBERS

The meeting started at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 10. Initial business of all applications received to date consumed the primary portion of the afternoon. Following dinner together, during which the problems still "holding fire" from the last meeting were discussed. In regards to Jess Taylor and Ralph Smothers, it was agreed we would take their cases up upon reconvening on Friday morning.

FRIDAY, 9:00 a.m.

With reference to Ralph Smothers, it was learned through Taylors visitation trip to Salmon in mid-November that he had, in fact, accommodate guests for both fishing and hunting during the fall after he had filed his application for a license of his own. Although the Board has issued his guide license with the understanding that it was for employment with George Austin only. It was felt without qualification that Smothers should have an outfitter license for 1963. Accordingly, his application remained in the pending file from the time it was received through the balance of the calendar year of 1962. It was agreed that upon submittance by Smothers of a 1963 application that we would meet once again with him and endeavor to ascertain the type of operation, as well as the extent, and be judged by his cooperation at that time.

There followed the discussion of Jess Taylor and his employing of Floyd Posing. Tice and Taylor had talked to Posing on December 27. He had readily admitted that he did guide and pack for Jess Taylor during 1962, hunting season. When asked of his knowledge of the law, he denied any knowledge of the new law and related that he had gotten his license before a couple of times, "around Salmon' some of the guys got them and some of the guys didn't ". He was thoroughly informed of the Law, The Board, its activities and responsibilities. He asked for and was promised by mail the next day a copy of the Law, application forms, etc. It was felt that Posing, in his talk, was making an endeavor to "pull the wool over the eyes" of Tice and Taylor. To bear out this feeling, the Board contacted Marv Hornback, for whom Posing had worked for two years during the enactment of the Law, to get his feelings relative to Posing's statements. Hornback related, "He knows all about that Law. I know he does and I will go in any court of Law and prove it". The Board unanimously agreed to file complaint against Posing, providing the Prosecuting Attorney of Valley County felt the action justified. Taylor was to take the necessary steps as soon as economically possible by the Board.

In regards to Jess Taylor himself, it was felt that further investigation and evidence must be obtained before notifying Jess Taylor that the Board desired hearing his side of the case. The unanimous agreement was that prior to taking any action under the statute, we would ask Taylor for his side of the story.

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Discussion of the amendment to our Law, as submitted by the Committee on Fish and Game of the Senate, was heard. The Board unanimously approved it in every respect. Taylor was instructed to carry this impression to Senator Hal Wallington, Committee Chairman.

Payment was approved to the Association for \$100.00 for the center page of the 1963 pamphlet, setting forth the law, etc., as was done in the 1962 pamphlet. It was felt by Tice that some message to the customers should be incorporated in this relative to the laws, rules and regulations that the guides and outfitters abided by. This too met with unanimous approval. As to the copy for insertion into the pamphlet, Taylor was directed to supply it.

There was discussion brought up by Taylor relative to a form letter or letters for answering standard questions submitted to the Board. This type of correspondence was felt to be too much of an "assembly line" deal. It was felt that individual letters were far better, at least for the next two or three years.

To enable McCurdy to catch his return plane to Lewiston, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m. with a tentative February meeting of February 9 and 10. Travel was authorized for McCurdy by WCA and Al Tice to drive. The meeting place is scheduled for Mountain Home.

ay Taylor, Chairman

Al Tice, Member

Tillman McCurdy, Member